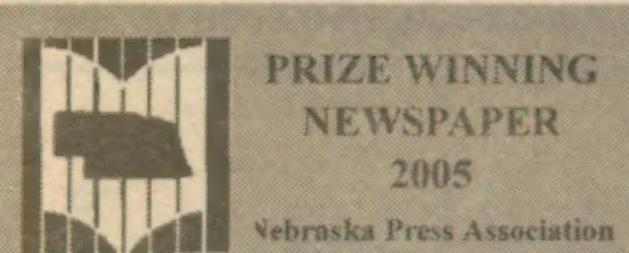


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Scholarships given as hurricane relief

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Students whose families and homes were affected by Hurricane Katrina can now receive aid in the form of scholarships from the University of Nebraska system.

President James B. Milliken

announced Friday that the Nebraska Universities are recognizing that not only have students been displaced, but that there are students currently enrolled in the universities that had families in New Orleans and other affected areas.

"We have out-of-state students who were already enrolled on our

campuses whose homes have been destroyed and whose ability to stay in school is now in jeopardy," Milliken said.

A couple of students at UNO are eligible for the scholarship so far, according to Wade Robinson, associate vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at UNMC. "But in our programs, we have about 85 percent of our

One student at UNMC is also eligible for the scholarship.

"We have three (eligible), but two of them are already on full-ride programs," said David Crouse, associate vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at UNMC. "But in our programs, we have about 85 percent of our

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Posting student social security numbers illegal

Faculty Senate

LEIA BAEZ
COPY EDITOR

Instead of using Blackboard, some UNO faculty members are posting grades illegally.

"It's illegal for faculty members to post social security numbers with grades," said Hollis Glaser, Faculty Senate president. "To allow other students to see another student's grades is also illegal."

The use of students' social security numbers and diversity were two issues discussed at Wednesday's Faculty Senate meeting.

Glaser said Chancellor Nancy Belck brought the social security number issue to surface about three weeks ago after receiving several complaints.

"We are trying to figure out a way to stop that and if students know about this, they will be more likely to complain," Glaser said.

She said proper use of Blackboard by professors could easily eliminate this problem.

On the issue of diversity, the University of Nebraska system recently lost \$1 million for minority

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Security cameras added, but gates still open at dorms



photo by J Parker Adair

University Village resident Ben Weidner tries to key in his pass code on the gate to his dorms. A week ago, this gate was held open by a piece of twine.

KEENA SPENCER-DOBSON
STAFF WRITER

The ability to be safe and secure while spending time away from home is a concern for college students.

The dorms here at UNO are secure facilities, but what if there was breach of this security, and what has been done this year to compensate for this past security issues?

There are cameras mounted on the code blue telephones on south campus, which is new this year. This provides campus security with a way to help students who call in an emergency from these phones by knowing their exact location.

"We use cameras to keep an eye on what's going on," said Paul Kosel, the assistant manager of campus security. He advised students to be

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Student Health Services limits free STD tests

CHRIS LARSON
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Health Services

After they run out of the allocated free tests, students will have to pay \$30-\$35 for a urine STD test or \$20 for a probe test.

Kalasek did not wish to publish the number of tests they have available.

According to a Planned Parenthood press release, the number of STDs in the Omaha area is rising at an alarming rate.

David Lawton, administrator of the health surveillance section of Health and Human Services, said the main reason for the limitation had to do with funding. "We

have decreased funding so we need to use testing where it was most effective."

Lawton also said allocations were based on positivity rates, meaning that more tests were given to areas where they had higher percentages of people testing positive for STDs.

"We wanted to make sure everyone was covered," Lawton said.

There are still plenty of other clinics in the Omaha area that offer free testing, Lawton said.

Another concern in the Student Health Services office this

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Photo of the week: Shake it!



photo by Josh Bashara

The ladies of Chi Omega shake their tails Wednesday morning in the student center plaza. The sorority held its annual "Hula-Hoop-a-thon" to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

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News you can use

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Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates with reggaetón, live performances

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, UNO Cultural Awareness Programs, ALAS, Sigma Lambda Beta, and SPO are sponsoring Reggaetón/ Latino Hip Hop Night, Friday, Sept. 16 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Milo Bail Student Center Grand Ballroom. Admission is free for students with a UNO student ID. For everyone else, admission is \$5. Queens, New York-native Boy Wonder will host the event. Live performances from reggaetón sensation LDA and Omaha's Stylo and Latin Threat will begin at 11 p.m.

SOLP to continue food drive during 2005-06 academic year

In order to continue to support Omaha families in need, Student Organizations and Leadership Programs is sponsoring a food drive throughout the 2005-06 academic year. Donations can be dropped off at SOLP on the first floor of the student center. The Omaha Food Bank will collect items weekly. The following items are sought: breakfast cereals, hot or cold; canned fruits; canned pasta; canned meats (tuna, chicken, ham); peanut

butter; jelly; Jello and pudding dry mixes; rice; dry beans; pasta/sauce; and condiments. Donations of paper products also are needed, including toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, feminine hygiene products, other personal items (deodorant, shampoo and soap) and laundry supplies. For more information, call Barb Treadway Janousek at 554-2711

Smokers, non-smokers sought for exercise study

Smokers and non-smokers are sought for an exercise study to be conducted at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and UNO. UNMC researchers will evaluate the effect of exercise training on insulin sensitivity in smokers and non-smokers who have elevated blood sugar levels. Subjects will participate in eight weeks of exercise at the Center for Healthy Living at UNMC or the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building at UNO. People between the ages of 19 and 65 in good general health who don't exercise on a regular basis may be eligible to participate. Interested individuals will be offered a fasting blood sugar test at no cost to determine if they are eligible for the study.

For more information, contact the study's coordinator at 559-3458 or dmeyer@unmc.edu.

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aware of who they let into their building and that they always lock their doors when they leave.

Parking lot security is another issue.

Although the lots are gated, there are problems with the gates not always working. Matt Barr, a sophomore living in Scott Hall said that the gates to the dorm parking lots are often left open.

"A lot of times they just leave the gates open for a long period of time because they are broken or they need to let people in and they'll leave them open all day or all weekend. One time when that happened my car was broken into," said Barr.

There haven't been any major improvements to secure University Village

since last year's break-ins, besides the increased visible presence of campus security and county police officers.

There was discussion of putting more lights around the area for this school year, but that wasn't seen as a permanent solution to a growing problem.

"This doesn't solve the problem, it just moves it from point a to point b," Kosel said.

Steve Saur, the managing director for University Village, said within the next few days the dorms' pedestrian gates will be operational and will require a code.

"We are in the middle of a project where we are going to be closing the pedestrian gates, but this is more of a barrier for non-residents not a security device," Saur said.

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faculty recruitment. But regardless of the cut, Glaser said Faculty Senate plans to work toward increasing diversity in students and faculty at UNO.

"[For diversity], we are working in terms of students and retention, and faculty and retention," Glaser said.

Senator Pamela Owens added to the discussion on diversity by stating the importance of being involved in local cultural activities, such as the 14th Annual Fort Omaha Intertribal Pow-wow on Sept. 24 from 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Fort Omaha Campus Parade Ground at 30th and Fort Streets.

Faculty Senate also got a sneak peek at what UNO Library Dean Steve Shorb expects from the UNO Library within the next few

years. Before the meeting began, Shorb gave a presentation on current and future renovations at the UNO Library. Shorb said the university plans to improve library signs, reconfigure shelves and buy more books.

"I would like to see this be a million dollar library someday," Shorb said.

Faculty Senate changes were also on the agenda at Wednesday's meeting. Here's a look at the committee changes: associate professors Chris Marshall, Victor Winter and Laurie Tilton-Weaver were nominated and selected for the Faculty Grievance Committee. Their three-year term will begin Sept. 16. Professor Bob Nash was nominated and selected to the Professional Conduct Committee for a three-year term starting Oct. 16.

Campus Crime Log

COMPILED BY KEENA SPENCER-DOBSON
STAFF WRITER

Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2005

7:12 p.m.- Student reported theft of bicycle from Scott Village. Incident occurred between 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 9, 2005

3:49 p.m. - Student reported witnessing a male expose himself on Caniglia Field.

12:40 p.m.- Student reported the

burglary of their apartment at University Village. Incident occurred between 6:50 a.m. and 11:10 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005

4:45 p.m.- Student reported the burglary of their apartment, nothing was found missing. Incident occurred between 11:20 a.m. and 4:15 p.m.

5:10 p.m.-Student reported the theft of personal property from grounds near Arts and Sciences Hall. Incident occurred between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 12, 2005

1:22 p.m.-Student reported theft of personal property from vehicle parked at St. Margaret Mary's Church. Incident occurred between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

3:20 p.m.-Student reported theft of ATM transactions occurring from an unknown ATM on campus. Transactions occurred between 8 a.m., Monday, Aug. 29, 2005 and 4 p.m., Friday, Sept. 2, 2005.

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year was the viral meningitis vaccine. There is a new vaccine out, but they were only able to order 10 of them.

"We can still order the old vaccine and I am in the process of ordering them now," Kalasek said. But she wasn't sure if students would want to have the old vaccine or not.

With flu season quickly approaching health services is anxiously awaiting to see what may come of the vaccine situation. Last year was the first year they were not able to give out any vaccines because of federal regulations.

Student Maria Vacha said her biggest concern for health on campus was malnutrition.

"It concerns me that our vending machines are full of junk food," Vacha

said.

"They should sell tofu or soybean products on campus, for something healthier."

Vacha also mentioned the possibility of forums on healthy eating, or offering free exercise classes.

One service offered by SHS that isn't being used enough is the blood draw for \$22, Kalasek said. It can test for up to 21 deficiencies in your blood, bones

or major organs.

"It's a great screen for a great bargain," she said.

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"Lost" first season DVDs are difficult to top

REVIEW BY JOSH BASHARA

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I'm not a TV-type person. Generally speaking, I downright loathe television shows.

But last fall I caught an episode of ABC's drama series, "Lost," and like millions of other viewers, I was instantly hooked. The thing about this show is that it's not just limited to the drama genre. It's got elements of sci-fi, horror, action/adventure and even a little comedy thrown in for good measure.

Created and produced by J.J. Abrams ("Alias"), "Lost" follows the story of 14 characters aboard an international flight from Australia to Los Angeles. For reasons still unknown, the airplane was ripped apart in midair and crashed onto a tropical island.

These 14 major characters, along with a few dozen other survivors, found themselves stranded on this island with no rescue in sight. On the surface, it sounds like "Gilligan's Island" or *Castaway*. But it's so much more. The survivors quickly discover that they're not alone on the island, and that some sort of monster is in the jungle, along with a group of sinister people who have been there for years. That's just one of literally dozens of plotlines, which is one reason "Lost" is loved by so many. There's just so much compelling stuff going on.

Last week, Buena Vista Home

Entertainment released the entire first season of "Lost" on a seven-disc DVD box set, just in time to coincide with the premiere of season two later this month.

There are 24 episodes in all, including the two-part pilot and season finale. The entire season spans six discs, with four episodes per disc. Part of the special features are that some of the episodes have audio commentary tracks by the cast and creators of the show.

The commentaries are superb, highlighting just enough detail about behind-the-scenes stuff, but not getting too technical as to bore. One unique feature of the commentaries is that occasionally, the creators stop the show and throw in a making-of scene from the production. It's just too bad there isn't a commentary for each episode; there are only four total.

The picture transfer to DVD is top-notch. There are no signs of a sloppy DVD transfer, such as overexposure or pixilation. The sound is pretty damn good as well. The gain on the background music could

have boosted a little, as the sound effects sometimes overwhelm and force you to turn down the volume a notch or two during action-packed scenes. Just as it should be, though, the sound is mixed in 5.1

Hawaii (where the show is filmed) and put it back together in pieces that made it look like the plane had crashed.

One really sweet bonus, "Before They Were Lost," features actor and actress casting stories, complete with audition tapes. I'm not sure why, but I love seeing actors read for a part. It's like eavesdropping on some forbidden aspect of production.

The DVD also features 13 deleted scenes and flashbacks, most of which you can live without seeing, but it's still a nice touch. Also included are videos from the cast's appearance at Comicon and the Museum of Television and Radio's 22nd Annual Paley Festival.

As icing on the cake, there's even a feature called "Backstage with Driveshaft," which is the character Charlie's one-hit-wonder band in the show. Now you can finally learn about the absurd history behind "You All Everybody," the catchy song that Charlie keeps singing to himself throughout the show.

All in all, the "Lost" The Complete First Season DVD is an excellent release of an incredible show. I doubt that it will disappoint even the hardest-core fans. Let's just hope there are many more season box sets to come.



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The best aspect of the DVD set is the special features, hands-down. The seventh disc is totally devoted to the extras, which include a ton of 'making-of' featurettes and other goodies.

The 'making-of' pieces are really detailed, explaining almost every aspect of how ABC put together the cast and crew. My favorite of these is a featurette that details how the creators actually bought a jumbo airplane here in the states, cut it apart, shipped it to

MTV to be in Nebraska Tuesday

ANDREW CUMBEE
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR



It's that time again. While MTV is filming its 17th season of "The Real World" in Key West, Fla., they

are also searching for the cast of the successful show's 18th season. MTV is coming to Lincoln, Neb., on Tuesday, Sept. 20 to look for possible members of this new season's cast.

For the few people who still don't

know what "The Real World" is, here's how it will run: Seven complete strangers will be chosen to live in a dream house picked out by the cable channel. They will live and work together for five months. The city for the new season has not yet been chosen.

MTV picked Lincoln basically because of the University of Nebraska (both in Lincoln and Omaha). The school obviously provides many potential cast members in the show's required 18-24 age group. Also, with neighboring Omaha, MTV is hoping to get a good amount of prospects. Supervising Casting Director Damon Furberg said that Lincoln is a good place to look for someone who can represent the heartland of America.

That fact is important, as MTV will be looking for a diverse group of people, as usual. Furberg said, "We don't know what we need until we trip over it." MTV values diversity for its show through geography, personality and appearance.

People trying out can expect a sit-down session with casting directors and MTV representatives. The sessions will be done with about 10 other prospects and will be used to determine who gets called back the next day.

People trying out need to be between the ages of 18 and 24 and are asked to bring a non-returnable, recent photograph. The auditions are at Brothers Bar, 1339 O St., in Lincoln, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Callbacks will be the following day.

What to do this weekend

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Friday, September 16

Jimmy Buffett Karaoke Contest: A benefit for hurricane relief featuring free island food from 4 to 9 p.m., the Nebraska Bikini Team and, of course, lots of karaoke. The bikini team will be there from 10 p.m. until midnight. The festivities will take place at Rumors in Bellevue at Capehart Rd. and Old Highway 75. All proceeds will go to hurricane relief.

Metal/Punk Show at Sokol: Scurgefest 3 will feature Bloodcow, Random Disfigurement, Contusion, Diesel Breath, Westside Proletariat, Cellador, One Punch Homicide and Analog at Sokol Underground. Show starts at 5 p.m. with doors at 4:30 p.m. and is \$5. All proceeds go to Hurricane Katrina relief—do we see a pattern developing?

Saturday, September 17

The Return of, well, The Return: Saturday night at Sokol Underground brings The Return, Ventura, Cali.'s finest melodic reggae/ska band. With The Return will be Omaha's own Portal and Lincoln's Fireside Innocence. Portal

features former members of Prospect Avenue and 8th Wave. Show starts at 9 p.m. and is \$7 at the door. Come get your rock on.

Sunday, September 18

Tour Joslyn Castle: Each month, on the first and third Sunday, Joslyn Castle holds tours through the home of George and Sarah Joslyn. You can walk off your hangover and learn something while you're at it. Tours are from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. and cost just \$2 for students. The castle, located at 3902 Davenport, is on the National Register of Historic places.

Get Your Drink On, Jazzwhole: Sunday night at the Goofy Foot, the Jazzwholes are playing. It starts at 9 p.m. and is \$3. The Goofy Foot is located just north of 10th and Pacific at 1012 S. 10th St. There's nothing like a little drinking and jazz to get the week started.

Monday, September 19

Open mic at Mick's: Show them your folk side with open mic at Mick's in Benson. The theme is bluegrass and folk. If you aren't feeling so folkish, check out the others who are. Admission is free and it starts at 8 p.m., but you must be 21. Sorry, kids.

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(1878-1927) Group portrait of the members of Mir Iskusstva, 1920. Painting by Boris Kustodiev.

Joslyn finds Russian elegance

REVIEW BY BROOKE SZELIGA
STAFF WRITER

The "Russia's Age of Elegance" exhibit at the Joslyn Art Museum wasn't just for Russian history buffs, it was full of treasures everyone could enjoy.

The pieces were created during the reign of Nicholas II, the last Tsar of Russia (1894-1917). Representing the artistic movement known as Mir Iskusstva (World of Art), the works depict life in pre-revolutionary Russia. The movement was cut short by the October Revolution and the subsequent curtailing of freedom instituted by the Communist regimes of Vladimir Lenin and Joseph Stalin. The "Age of Elegance" exhibit is a feather in Joslyn's cap for a variety of reasons. This exhibit marks the first time that these paintings have

been seen outside of Russia.

The wide range of subject matter, mediums and colorful array of styles is quite impressive. From the ordinary to the extraordinary, everything and everyone seems to be represented in these works; landscapes, socialites, military elite, artists, musicians, poets, book pages, costume and set designs are cleverly executed using mediums such as tempera on cardboard and paper, oil on canvas and cardboard, colored zinograph, woodcuts, lithograph, and water color to name a few.

Joslyn's Amy Rummel said that the selection process for the artwork took place in St. Petersburg. Brookes Joyner, Joslyn's director, had the opportunity to travel to Russian State Museum to see the works. The Foundation for International Arts and Education, dedicated to preserving the art, culture and heritage

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The Shark Club has 1980s style

Ah...the 30 days are over. Finally, I know what you're thinking—I have to be an addict by now. Well, I will have you know that I have been sober for almost 2 days as of this writing. But it is over and it's time now for the healing to begin.

I didn't go out too much this past week because of financial concerns (like I've said before, the bars are expensive), but I did use my being broke to exploit my friends into buying me drinks on Friday.

Someone wanted to go out and basically threw some money at me to get me out. So, if I am an addict now, it's because my friends are enablers.

Friday seemed a lot shorter than it probably was. A friend, nicknamed Faucet, came to pick me up and we were going to set out to meet Nick, but played video games for way longer than we told him it would take. After about 12 phone calls from him we finally left for our first bar, Redneck's again (I swear someone else chose it this time).

For some reason we weren't really feeling the place that night...probably because of my incredibly strong urges to dance. We drank our beers, Nick hit on a person whose sex Faucet and I argued about, and then we headed out to The Shark Club on about 72nd and Pacific Streets.

I had no idea where we were. The location is really weird. I'm not sure if it's built on something or what, but I remember going up stairs to get in. Maybe I was a little tipsy by this point. Anyway, the scary

bouncer at the door let us in and we headed to the dart boards while we waited for some more people to come meet us.

The Shark Club looks like a 1980s, Miami coke den. There are aquariums in the walls, flashing lights, leather furniture, and people wearing shirts and ties all over the

place. Once you enter the second room it looks like something out of the foot soldier training camp in the first Ninja Turtles movie. There are pool tables everywhere. I was waiting for those kids on the overhead tracks to skate by on their boards. (How great was that reference? I'm sure one reader got that.)

I killed indarts. Nick and Faucet basically bought four pitchers of tasty Miller Lite for us during the games. I won almost every game but the last. I was on fire. I am now basically World Champion quality. There is no other explanation for my awesomeness. I will start my pro-darts career soon.

Finally, some friends and random people came to meet us and I lost track of the rest of the night. We talked to our server for a long time...people bought me shots and pitchers...and I ended up making fun of everyone for dancing.

Shark Club was a good time. It's got sort of an upper-class feel, however, the patrons are anything but upper-class. If you want to play pool, dance, look fancy, or go back to 1980s Miami, it is totally something for you to check out.

The Drunk Diaries



Andrew Cumbee

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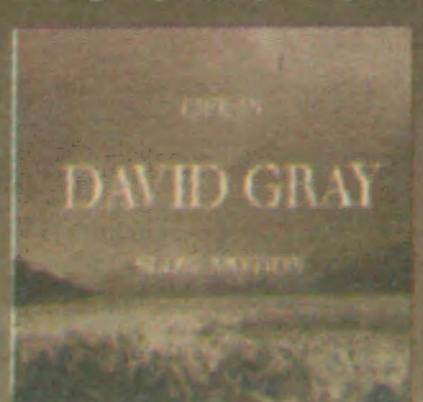
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Threadless.com: Web site provides fun and fashion

BRIAN CASE
STAFF WRITER

You can tell a lot about a person by what kind of shirts they wear.

Whether it's a sports jersey from a spoiled athlete or a graduation shirt from the "Class of 2003," shirts can either be a portal into your soul or just a clue as to when you last did your laundry.

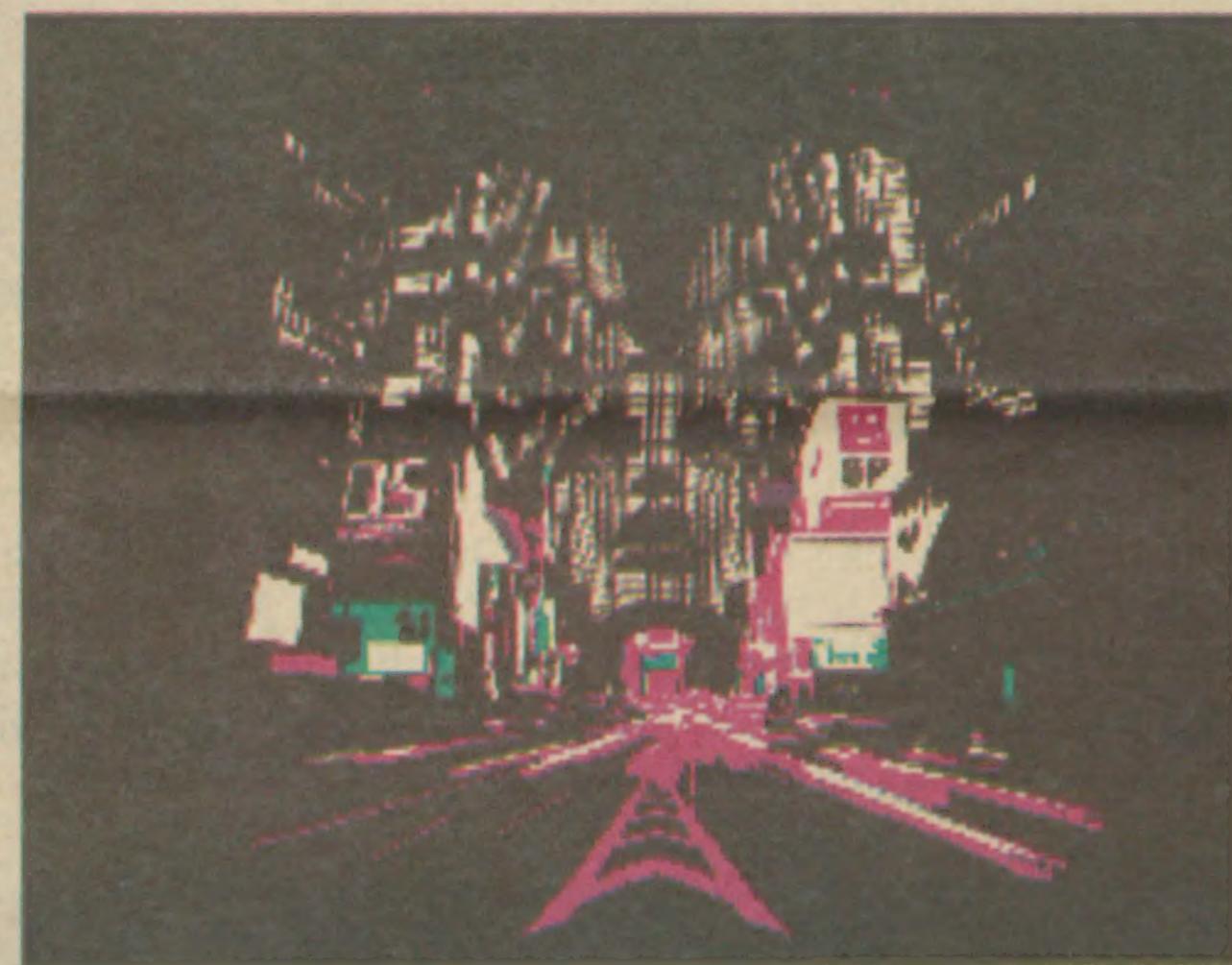
For those of you who want to be fashionably hip, help has arrived from Threadless.com.

Threadless is a never-ending t-shirt contest that allows unknown artists to submit ideas for t-shirt designs. Once you have submitted your design, it is then judged for seven days based on a "0 to 5" scale, "5" being the best. A final option of "I'd buy it" is also included. The artist with the highest score gets their idea put on a t-shirt for sale at Threadless.com and wins a total of \$1,000 in cash and prizes.

"Every week or so we at Threadless look at the top-scoring designs and factor in the number of 'I'd Buy It's.' We also look at how original the design is and how well it would look on a t-shirt," said Jacob DeHart, co-founder of Threadless.com.

Many artists are inspired by music, memories and things they see in everyday life. Artists take their work to heart and, as a result, create some of the most unique and thought-provoking shirts available. Submissions that are bland or have copycat designs from previous entries are rejected for voting purposes.

"We believe that most of the winning designs have a strong concept behind them," DeHart said. "Many designs we receive are



Threadless.com has no aspirations of turning its small, submission-based Web site into a large corporation. For now, it's just happy to provide a creative outlet for artists.

"I believe that Threadless will maintain as a t-shirt shop. Occasionally, we may do hooded sweatshirts or other similar apparel, but t-shirts are the key to the site," DeHart said.

The price is \$15 dollars for guy shirts, \$17 for girl shirts. A 12-month membership can be purchased for \$200 dollars a year for 14 shirts, if you want to save money on shipping and handling.

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Countdowns and birthday candles

Dear Diary:

Yet another year has passed, and I'm yet another year older. Sept. 16, 2005, I turn 22 years old. The thrill of being 21 is now gone and left me wondering what is next to look forward to.

I remember counting down the birthdays until I would be 16 and could finally drive myself out of the one-horse town I then called home. My sweet sixteen was a humble event, in comparison with MTV's reality show, "My Super Sweet Sixteen."

Instead of spending thousands of dollars on party planners, hotel rentals and entertainment, my sweet sixteen party was a laid-back luau at the local park, complete with mini tiki torches and goldfish. And instead of getting a new Land Rover, I got a 1989 Plymouth Horizon. I guess kids these days are more high maintenance.

From there it was a countdown to 18, which stood for freedom. By that time I was a senior in high school and was counting the days until I could move out of "hick town."

Well, time continued onward as it does. I moved to Omaha, got a cellblock of a dorm room and I became an independent college student.

Then started the countdown of all countdowns: the number of days until I would be 21 and able to buy booze and get into 21-and-older rock shows.

My 21st birthday came and ended quickly. I had to work the next morning. Needless to say, I drank responsibly.

Maybe too responsibly. My birthday drink list consisted of one pina colada. No hour of power, just a nice dinner with family and friends and I found myself at home by midnight telling my roommate how lame I was. Don't get me wrong, it was a good

Danelle's Diary



Danelle Petersen

birthday. Just not what I had imagined.

During the past year as a 21-year-old, I have learned several interesting things. Number one, being 21 is not all it's cracked up to be. Alcohol is expensive, plain and simple. Bars are smoky, club covers suck and people can be real mean when they are drunk. This is when I began to appreciate the phrase, "Everything in moderation is key."

Now on my 22nd birthday I ask myself one question. What is my next count down? I don't know if there is a significant birthday to count to now. Maybe turning 30 and being "over the hill." And then count to getting a senior citizen discount at the movies. Yahoo!

I don't know, I think I will just start to count to events, not birthdays. Next one being graduation in May, I guess. From there, well, hopefully an engagement then hopefully a wedding within the next decade.

Until then, I will enjoy the simple things in life to pass the time until the next countdown. That's what I do best. I think it's all life is. Little moments that when they are all added up, make who you are. I guess this is who I am up to 22.

A night cruise around town with the love of my life; windows down, jazz on the radio. A tickle fight. A cold bottle of Moscato. New lip gloss. Voicemails from my mom everyday saying the same thing, "Hi Danelle, this is your mom, just checking in on you. Give me a call, love you."

Happy meals. A wink from my kitten. Turtle lattes. Pink toe nail polish. Pina coladas with the girls pool side. A new hair color every other week. Snuggling. A good rock show. Doodles in pink ink. Lawn gnomes. A card from my dad for no reason. The smell of new shoes. A giggle and a hug. And last but not least, cotton candy ice-cream with gummy bears on top.

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Taylor able to "Reed" opposing quarterback's every move

CHRIS HARRINGTON
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With a set of young and inexperienced defensive backs, UNO's secondary had several question marks coming into the 2005 season.

First-year defensive coordinator Brad McCaslin made it his No. 1 priority to find a playmaker in his secondary, since the Mavericks ranked sixth in the North Central Conference in pass defense, giving up 202.1 yards per game through the air for 18 touchdowns last season.

However, after UNO played through its first three games, there was obviously a rising star in the back four of the Maverick's defense.

Redshirt freshman cornerback Reed Taylor has stepped out of the dark and has shown his coaches and teammates that he's a legitimate shutdown corner when it comes to defending the pass.

But the Oshkosh, Wis., native had an important learning experience in the Mavericks' first game against Nebraska-Kearney. Taylor was burned by Lopers' wide receiver Richie Ross for an 85-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter of the game.

"I had to bounce back and clear my mind after that game, because I gave up a huge play to Kearney's receiver," Taylor said. "So I knew going into practice that following week that I had to work on my technique and coverage."

Taylor's hard work didn't go unnoticed in UNO's top 10 match-up against Northwest Missouri State. The 5-foot-11, 190-pounder

had a career day, tallying 14 tackles, a pass breakup and two interceptions. He got his second pick with two minutes and three seconds remaining in the fourth quarter that allowed the Mavericks' offense to regain possession and run out the clock.

"Reed gave up a big play to the Bearcat's offense before he got his second interception, but it didn't rattle him, which I thought was a mark of a champion," McCaslin said.

"Then when he got that second pick, it really changed the momentum of the game, and you could see the confidence rise on the defensive side of our team."

After that game, Taylor garnered NCC co-defensive player of the week honors for his standout performance, becoming the second Maverick defensive player to be honored in the last two weeks. Taylor never slowed on his big-play ability, and during UNO's

third game against Central Washington, he recorded five tackles, broke up a pass and picked off another, giving him a team-high three interceptions on the season.

"I wasn't really impressed with my performance against Central Washington because we played very sluggish against the pass," Taylor said. "Their receivers were getting those quick slants underneath on us, and their quarterback was basically picking our defense apart."

Taylor now has had an interception in two straight games and has matched the number of interceptions with the number

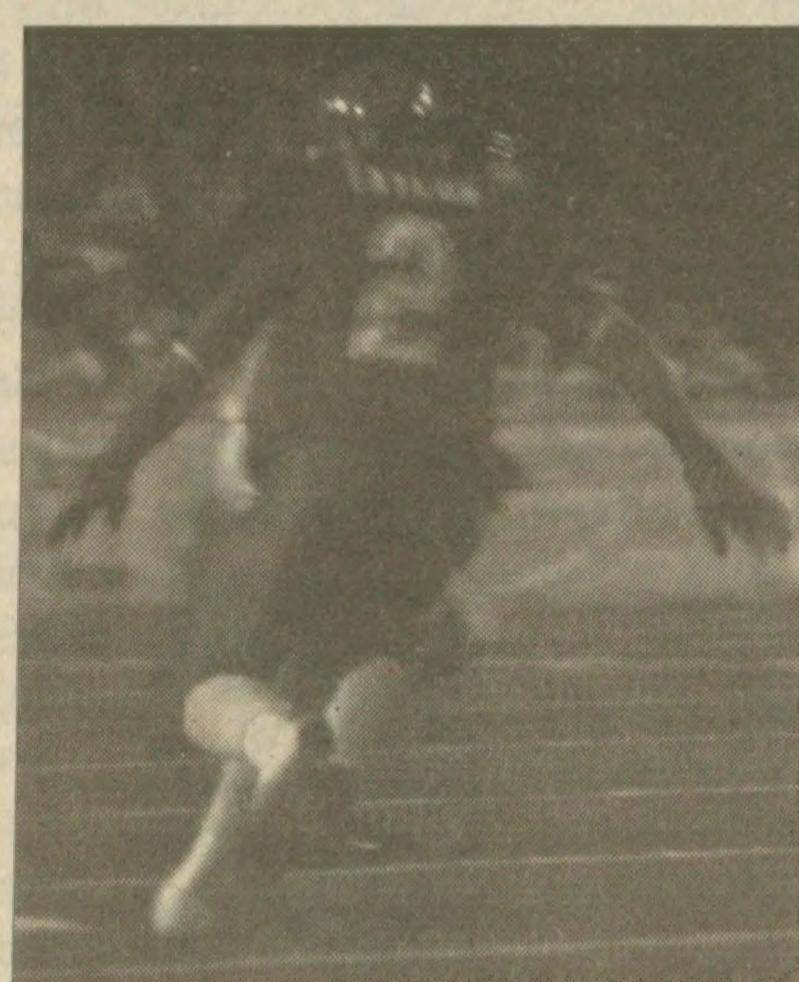


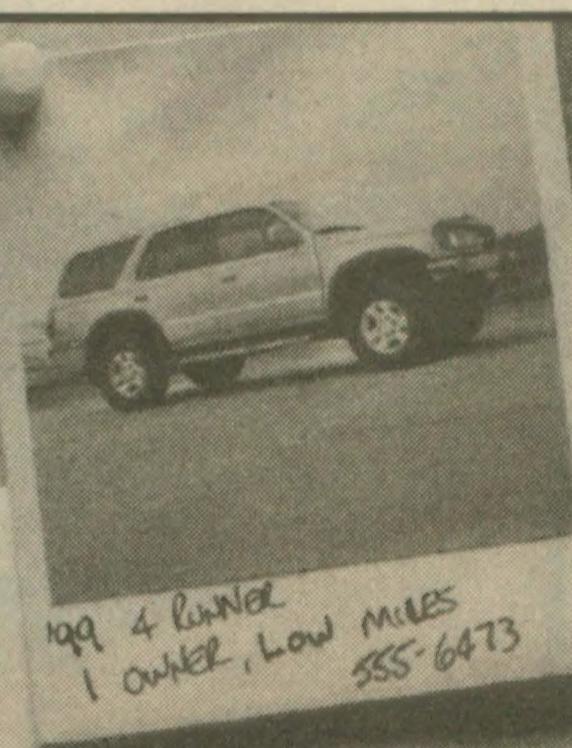
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Reed Taylor gears up to tackle a Bearcat during the first home game of the season.

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Football

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Masek garner NCC player of the week honors

Senior UNO quarterback Brian Masek was named offensive player of the week in the North Central Conference and also among Nebraska's NCAA Division II schools Monday. Masek, a Columbus, Neb. native, now has 5,969 passing yards for his career, edging past

Randy Naran, who passed for 5,814 during his 1980-84 Maverick career. The three touchdown passes bring Masek's total to 57, also a school record.

Mavericks remain No. 5 in Division II polls

The Mavericks remained No. 5 in the latest American Football Coaches Association poll heading into their bye week. UNO is idle until opening NCC play on Sept. 24 at South Dakota.

Comeback win boosts UNO soccer to No. 11 in country

NATHAN LEETE
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

The UNO soccer team's second half comeback lifted them to a 2-1 victory over Truman State in the second game of last weekend's tournament. It was the third straight one-goal win for the Mavericks after dropping their season opener to Central Oklahoma.

The wins over the weekend boosted the Mavs a from No. 22 to No. 11 in the country. Sophomore Brandie Beale was also named North Central Conference player of the week Tuesday after scoring the game winners against Central Missouri State and Truman State.

The Bulldogs held a 1-0 lead over the Mavericks at halftime, but it lasted only 57 seconds into the second half of action. Junior Beth McGill tied the game up with a header off of a pass

from Amber Richardson. Beale put the game winner in for the Mavs, unassisted and directly in front of the goal, exactly nine minutes later. It was Beale's second game winner of the weekend and sixth of the season.

UNO out shot the Bulldogs 17-6 with 12 shots on goal. Amy Price earned the win, stopping three out of the four TSU shots on goal. The Mavericks are 8-2-0 against the Bulldogs all time and have never lost in Kirksville.

The Mavericks will open their NCC season Friday at home against Augustana at Ak-Sar-Ben field. UNO is the No. 1 ranked team in the conference with an overall record of 3-1-0 while the Vikings come to town with a record of 2-4-0. UNO holds an undefeated 8-0 record against Augustana and has outscored the Vikings 50-5 in the series.

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of Russia, was a major supporter of the exhibition.

Omaha was chosen as the premiere city to display the works due to an ongoing relationship between the Joslyn, the State Russian Museum in St. Petersburg, and the Pushkin Museum in Moscow which recently hosted an exhibition of western artworks in Russia to which Joslyn contributed.

"Russia's Age of Elegance" exhibit ended

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students from Nebraska."

About 70 UNL students are from the South, and may have families in the affected regions, according to Sharon Stephan, NU assistant vice president for communication.

Last week, NU announced in-state tuition for the fall semester for students that had to

on Sept. 14, but Omaha may get a second chance at viewing similar works.

The management at Joslyn is not sure if, in the near future, a post-revolutionary exhibit will occur. However, the Pushkin Museum is organizing another Russian exhibition displaying earlier pieces than those shown in this exhibit. We can only hope that Omaha will be fortunate enough to host that exhibit as well.

transfer from their Southern universities.

About 100 students, almost all students that had ties to Nebraska, contacted the universities. More than two dozen are currently enrolled in classes at UNL and UNO.

As of Wednesday, University of Nebraska-Kearney had no displaced students.

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of games he's played in. With UNO having the week off before opening up NCC play at South Dakota, there are several tactics Taylor feels the secondary needs to work on in order for them to be effective against the pass.

"We need to work on focusing more on the quick throws and the long passes because we're getting beat deep," he said. "I think that's because we're being lazy and not paying attention."

McCaslin will increase the intensity on defense during practice this week, in hopes of making his players work harder with their containment.

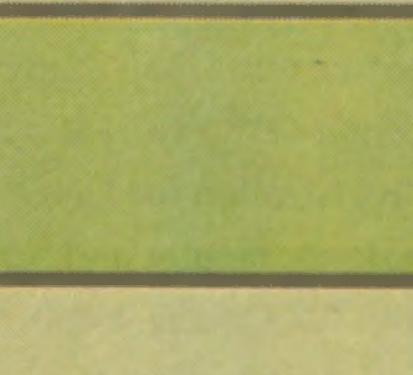
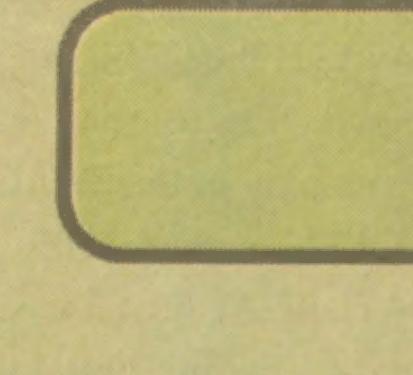
"We got guys who are sometimes trying

to make plays instead of understanding their responsibilities, so they jump outside of their assignment area," McCaslin said. "We got to have more confidence in our coverage and keep the pressure on the quarterbacks."

But confidence has continued to build for Taylor, who has 21 total tackles and three interceptions in three games this season. He also has shown that he can be efficient at returning punts, averaging more than eight yards per return on three punt returns, with his longest return of 14 yards. Taylor's ability to make big plays for the Maverick defense will be a significant factor as the season continues.

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